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Description Provides an LLM-powered research agent for performing AI search tasks at large scales. Uses a ReAct (Reasoning + Acting) agent pattern with web search capabilities via DuckDuckGo and Wikipedia. Implements DeepAgent-style memory folding for context management. The agent is built on 'LangGraph' and supports multiple LLM backends including 'OpenAI', 'Groq', and 'xAI'.

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Description

The `asa` package provides an LLM-powered research agent for performing AI search tasks at large scales using web search capabilities.

The agent uses a ReAct (Reasoning + Acting) pattern implemented via LangGraph, with tools for searching DuckDuckGo and Wikipedia. It supports multiple LLM backends (OpenAI, Groq, xAI) and implements DeepAgent-style memory folding for managing long conversations.

Main Functions

- `build_backend`: Set up the Python conda environment
- `initialize_agent`: Initialize the search agent
- `run_task`: Run a structured task with the agent
- `run_task_batch`: Run multiple tasks in batch

Configuration

The package requires a Python environment with LangChain and related packages. Use `build_backend` to create this environment automatically.

For anonymous searching, the package can use Tor as a SOCKS5 proxy. Install Tor via `brew install tor` (macOS) and start it with `brew services start tor`.

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See Also

Useful links:

- <https://github.com/cjerzak/asa-software>
- Report bugs at <https://github.com/cjerzak/asa-software/issues>

`.acquire_rate_limit_token`

Acquire a Rate Limit Token (Proactive Rate Limiting)

Description

Acquires a token from the rate limiter bucket before making a request. If no tokens are available, waits until one becomes available. This is called BEFORE making requests to prevent rate limit errors. Wait times are humanized with random jitter when `ASA_HUMANIZE_TIMING` is `TRUE`.

Usage

```
.acquire_rate_limit_token(verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

`verbose` Print waiting message if `TRUE`

Value

The wait time in seconds (0 if no wait was needed)

`.adaptive_rate_get_multiplier`

Get Current Adaptive Rate Multiplier

Description

Returns the current delay multiplier for use in rate limiting calculations.

Usage

`.adaptive_rate_get_multiplier()`

Value

Numeric multiplier (1.0 = normal, >1 = slower, <1 = faster)

`.adaptive_rate_init` *Initialize Adaptive Rate Limiting State*

Description

Sets up the adaptive rate limiting state in `asa_env`. Called during agent initialization.

Usage

`.adaptive_rate_init()`

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

.adaptive_rate_record Record Result for Adaptive Rate Limiting

Description

Records a success or error result and adjusts the delay multiplier accordingly. Tracks a sliding window of recent results to determine adaptation.

Usage

```
.adaptive_rate_record(status, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

status	One of "success", "captcha", "blocked", or "error"
verbose	If TRUE, prints adjustment messages

Value

Invisibly returns the current multiplier

.adaptive_rate_reset Reset Adaptive Rate Limiting

Description

Resets the adaptive rate limiting state to defaults.

Usage

```
.adaptive_rate_reset()
```

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

.adaptive_rate_status Get Adaptive Rate Status

Description

Returns the current state of adaptive rate limiting for monitoring.

Usage

```
.adaptive_rate_status()
```

Value

List with multiplier, success_streak, recent_count, and enabled status

.asa_option	<i>Get Package Option or Default</i>
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Description

Returns the value of an asa package option, or the default if not set. Options can be set via options(asa.option_name = value).

Usage

```
.asa_option(name, default)
```

Arguments

name	Option name (without "asa." prefix)
default	Default value if option not set

Value

Option value or default

.augment_prompt_temporal	<i>Augment Prompt with Temporal Context</i>
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Description

Adds temporal date hints to the prompt when after/before dates are specified. This helps guide the agent to search for time-relevant information.

Usage

```
.augment_prompt_temporal(prompt, temporal, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

prompt	Original prompt
temporal	Temporal filtering list (may be NULL)

Value

Augmented prompt string

<code>.build_trace</code>	<i>Build Trace from Raw Response</i>
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Description

Build Trace from Raw Response

Usage

```
.build_trace(raw_response)
```

<code>.circuit_breaker_check</code>	
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Check Circuit Breaker State

Description

Checks if the circuit breaker is tripped. If cooldown has passed, automatically resets the breaker.

Usage

```
.circuit_breaker_check(verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>verbose</code>	Print message when breaker resets
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Value

TRUE if requests can proceed, FALSE if breaker is tripped

<code>.circuit_breaker_init</code>	<i>Initialize Circuit Breaker</i>
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Description

Initializes the circuit breaker in `asa_env`. Called automatically before batch operations if `circuit_breaker=TRUE`.

Usage

```
.circuit_breaker_init()
```

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

.circuit_breaker_record

Record Result in Circuit Breaker

Description

Records a success or error in the circuit breaker's sliding window. If error rate exceeds threshold, trips the breaker.

Usage

```
.circuit_breaker_record(status, verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

status	Either "success" or "error"
verbose	Print message when breaker trips

Value

Invisibly returns whether breaker is now tripped

.circuit_breaker_status

Get Circuit Breaker Status

Description

Returns the current state of the circuit breaker for monitoring.

Usage

```
.circuit_breaker_status()
```

Value

List with tripped, error_rate, recent_count, and trip_count

<code>.close_http_clients</code>	<i>Close HTTP Clients</i>
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Description

Safely closes the synchronous httpx client to prevent resource leaks. This is called automatically by `reset_agent()` and when reinitializing.

Usage

```
.close_http_clients()
```

Details

Note: We no longer create or manage async clients from R (R-CRIT-001 fix). LangChain manages its own async client lifecycle internally.

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

<code>.create_agent</code>	<i>Create the LangGraph Agent</i>
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Description

Create the LangGraph Agent

Usage

```
.create_agent(
  llm,
  tools,
  use_memory_folding,
  memory_threshold,
  memory_keep_recent
)
```

Arguments

<code>llm</code>	LLM instance
<code>tools</code>	List of tools
<code>use_memory_folding</code>	Whether to use memory folding
<code>memory_threshold</code>	Messages before folding
<code>memory_keep_recent</code>	Messages to keep

`.create_http_clients` *Create HTTP Clients for API Calls*

Description

Creates two synchronous httpx clients: one direct (no proxy) for LLM API calls, and one proxied (with Tor) for search tools. This dual-client approach ensures OpenAI/OpenRouter API calls don't route through Tor (which causes failures), while DuckDuckGo searches still use Tor to avoid IP blocks.

Usage

```
.create_http_clients(search_proxy, timeout)
```

Arguments

<code>search_proxy</code>	Proxy URL for search tools (e.g., Tor SOCKS5) or NULL
<code>timeout</code>	Timeout in seconds

Details

Note: We intentionally do NOT create async clients. LangChain/OpenAI SDK creates its own async client internally when needed (for async operations). This avoids R-CRIT-001 where async client cleanup was unreliable from R since `aclose()` requires an async context.

Value

A list with 'direct' client (no proxy, for LLM) and 'proxied' client (for search)

`.create_llm` *Create LLM Instance*

Description

Create LLM Instance

Usage

```
.create_llm(backend, model, clients, rate_limit)
```

Arguments

<code>backend</code>	Backend name
<code>model</code>	Model identifier
<code>clients</code>	HTTP clients (for OpenAI)
<code>rate_limit</code>	Requests per second

<code>.create_research_config</code>	<i>Create Research Configuration</i>
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Description

Create Research Configuration

Usage

```
.create_research_config(  
    workers,  
    max_rounds,  
    budget,  
    stop_policy,  
    sources,  
    temporal = NULL  
)
```

<code>.create_research_graph</code>	<i>Create Research Graph</i>
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Description

Create Research Graph

Usage

```
.create_research_graph(agent, config_dict)
```

<code>.create_tools</code>	<i>Create Search Tools</i>
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Description

Create Search Tools

Usage

```
.create_tools(proxy)
```

Arguments

proxy	Proxy URL or NULL
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.extract_fields	<i>Extract Specific Fields from Response</i>
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Description

Extract Specific Fields from Response

Usage

```
.extract_fields(text, fields)
```

Arguments

text	Response text
fields	Character vector of field names to extract

.extract_json_from_trace	<i>Extract JSON from Agent Traces</i>
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Description

Internal function to extract JSON data from raw agent traces.

Usage

```
.extract_json_from_trace(text)
```

Arguments

text	Raw trace text
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Value

Parsed JSON data as a list, or NULL if no JSON found

.extract_json_object	<i>Extract JSON Object from Text</i>
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Description

Extract JSON Object from Text

Usage

```
.extract_json_object(text, start = NULL)
```

Arguments

text	Response text
start	Optional 1-based start index for extraction

.extract_response_text	<i>Extract Response Text from Raw Response</i>
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Description

Extract Response Text from Raw Response

Usage

.extract_response_text(raw_response, backend)

.extract_search_tier	<i>Extract Search Tier from Response Trace</i>
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Description

Parses the agent’s response trace to determine which search tier was used (PRIMP, Selenium, DDGS, or Requests). This is useful for assessing result quality since higher tiers generally produce more reliable results.

Usage

.extract_search_tier(trace)

Arguments

trace Character string containing the agent’s execution trace

Value

Character string: "primp", "selenium", "ddgs", "requests", or "unknown"

.get_default_backend	<i>Get Default Backend</i>
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Description

Get Default Backend

Usage

.get_default_backend()

`.get_default_conda_env`

Get Default Conda Environment

Description

Get Default Conda Environment

Usage

`.get_default_conda_env()`

`.get_default_model`

Get Default Model

Description

Get Default Model

Usage

`.get_default_model()`

`.get_default_workers`

Get Default Workers

Description

Get Default Workers

Usage

`.get_default_workers()`

<code>.get_extdata_path</code>	<i>Get External Data Path</i>
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Description

Returns the path to the package's external data directory.

Usage

```
.get_extdata_path(filename = NULL)
```

Arguments

filename	Optional filename within extdata directory
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Value

Character string with the path

<code>.get_local_ip</code>	<i>Get Local IP Address (Cross-Platform)</i>
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Description

Returns the local IP address for use with Exo backend. Works on Windows, macOS, and Linux.

Usage

```
.get_local_ip()
```

Value

Character string with the local IP address, or "127.0.0.1" on failure.

<code>.get_python_path</code>	<i>Get Package Python Module Path</i>
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Description

Returns the path to the Python modules shipped with the package.

Usage

```
.get_python_path()
```

Value

Character string with the path to inst/python

`.handle_response_issues`

Handle Response Issues (Rate Limiting, Timeouts)

Description

Handle Response Issues (Rate Limiting, Timeouts)

Usage

`.handle_response_issues(trace, verbose)`

`.humanize_delay`

Generate a Delay That Feels Human

Description

Not uniform jitter. This models the messy, inefficient pause between intention and action - the entropy of a tired hand:

- Log-normal base: most actions quick, occasional long pauses (thinking)
- Micro-stutters: tiny random additions (the tremor of uncertainty)
- Fatigue curve: delays drift longer as session ages
- Occasional spikes: the pause of a mind changing

Usage

`.humanize_delay(base_delay, enabled = NULL)`

Arguments

<code>base_delay</code>	The nominal delay in seconds
<code>enabled</code>	Whether humanized timing is enabled (default from constants)

Value

A delay that breathes like a human

`.import_python_module` *Import Python Module into asa_env*

Description

Generic helper for importing Python modules from inst/python. Handles caching, path resolution, and error handling.

Usage

```
.import_python_module(module_name, env_name = module_name, required = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>module_name</code>	Name of the Python module (without .py)
<code>env_name</code>	Name in asa_env (defaults to module_name)
<code>required</code>	If TRUE, error on failure; if FALSE, return NULL

Value

The imported Python module (invisibly), or NULL on failure if not required

`.import_python_packages`
Import Required Python Packages

Description

Import Required Python Packages

Usage

```
.import_python_packages()
```

`.import_research_modules`
Import Research Python Modules

Description

Import Research Python Modules

Usage

```
.import_research_modules()
```

`.invoke_memory_folding_agent`
Invoke Memory Folding Agent

Description

Invoke Memory Folding Agent

Usage

```
.invoke_memory_folding_agent(  
    python_agent,  
    prompt,  
    recursion_limit,  
    thread_id = NULL  
)
```

`.invoke_standard_agent`
Invoke Standard Agent

Description

Invoke Standard Agent

Usage

```
.invoke_standard_agent(python_agent, prompt, recursion_limit, thread_id = NULL)
```

`.is_initialized` *Check if ASA Agent is Initialized*

Description

Check if ASA Agent is Initialized

Usage

```
.is_initialized()
```

Value

Logical indicating if the agent has been initialized

.normalize_schema	<i>Normalize Schema Input</i>
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Description

Normalize Schema Input

Usage

.normalize_schema(schema, query, verbose)

.parse_json_response	<i>Parse JSON Response</i>
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Description

Parse JSON Response

Usage

.parse_json_response(response_text)

Arguments

response_text Response text from agent

.process_research_results	<i>Process Research Results</i>
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Description

Process Research Results

Usage

.process_research_results(result, schema_dict, include_provenance)

<code>.rate_limiter_init</code>	<i>Initialize Rate Limiter</i>
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Description

Initializes the token bucket rate limiter in `asa_env`. Called automatically on first use if not already initialized.

Usage

```
.rate_limiter_init(rate = NULL, bucket_size = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>rate</code>	Requests per second (tokens refill rate)
<code>bucket_size</code>	Maximum tokens in bucket

Value

Invisibly returns `NULL`

<code>.rate_limiter_reset</code>	<i>Reset Rate Limiter</i>
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Description

Resets the rate limiter to full capacity. Useful after errors or when starting a new batch of requests.

Usage

```
.rate_limiter_reset()
```

Value

Invisibly returns `NULL`

```
.register_cleanup_finalizer
```

Register Session Finalizer for HTTP Client Cleanup

Description

Registers a finalizer that will clean up HTTP clients when the R session ends or the package environment is garbage collected. This provides an additional safety net beyond `.onUnload` for resource leak prevention.

Usage

```
.register_cleanup_finalizer()
```

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

```
.resume_research
```

Resume Research from Checkpoint

Description

Resume Research from Checkpoint

Usage

```
.resume_research(checkpoint_file, verbose)
```

```
.run_agent
```

Run the ASA Agent (Internal)

Description

Internal function that invokes the search agent with a prompt. Users should use [run_task](#) instead.

Usage

```
.run_agent(
  prompt,
  agent = NULL,
  temporal = NULL,
  recursion_limit = NULL,
  thread_id = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```


Arguments

<code>prompt</code>	The prompt to send to the agent
<code>agent</code>	An <code>asa_agent</code> object
<code>temporal</code>	Named list for temporal filtering
<code>recursion_limit</code>	Maximum number of agent steps
<code>verbose</code>	Print status messages

Value

An object of class `asa_response`

<code>.run_research</code>	<i>Run Research (Non-Streaming)</i>
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Description

Run Research (Non-Streaming)

Usage

```
.run_research(graph, query, schema_dict, config_dict)
```

<code>.run_research_with_progress</code>	<i>Run Research with Progress Updates</i>
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Description

Run Research with Progress Updates

Usage

```
.run_research_with_progress(  
  graph,  
  query,  
  schema_dict,  
  config_dict,  
  checkpoint_file,  
  verbose  
)
```

.save_checkpoint	<i>Save Checkpoint</i>
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Description

Save Checkpoint

Usage

.save_checkpoint(result, query, schema_dict, config_dict, checkpoint_file)

.stop_validation	<i>Stop with Formatted Validation Error</i>
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Description

Creates a standardized error message with Got/Fix sections.

Usage

.stop_validation(param_name, requirement, actual = NULL, fix = NULL)

Arguments

param_name	Name of the parameter that failed validation
requirement	What the parameter should be
actual	What was actually received (optional, auto-formatted)
fix	Actionable fix suggestion

.validate_api_key	<i>Validate API Key for Backend</i>
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Description

Checks that the required API key environment variable is set for the specified backend. Throws an informative error if missing.

Usage

.validate_api_key(backend)

Arguments

backend	LLM backend name
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Value

Invisibly returns TRUE if valid

`.validate_asa_agent` *Validate S3 Constructor: asa_agent*

Description

Validate S3 Constructor: asa_agent

Usage

```
.validate_asa_agent(python_agent, backend, model, config)
```

`.validate_asa_response`
 Validate S3 Constructor: asa_response

Description

Validate S3 Constructor: asa_response

Usage

```
.validate_asa_response(  
    message,  
    status_code,  
    raw_response,  
    trace,  
    elapsed_time,  
    fold_count,  
    prompt  
)
```

`.validate_asa_result` *Validate S3 Constructor: asa_result*

Description

Validate S3 Constructor: asa_result

Usage

```
.validate_asa_result(prompt, message, parsed, raw_output, elapsed_time, status)
```

.validate_build_backend
Validate build_backend() Parameters

Description

Validate build_backend() Parameters

Usage

.validate_build_backend(conda_env, conda, python_version)

.validate_build_prompt
Validate build_prompt() Parameters

Description

Validate build_prompt() Parameters

Usage

.validate_build_prompt(template)

.validate_choice *Validate Choice from Set*

Description

Validate Choice from Set

Usage

.validate_choice(x, param_name, choices)

Arguments

- | | |
|------------|------------------------|
| x | Value to check |
| param_name | Name for error message |
| choices | Valid choices |

<code>.validate_conda_env</code>	<i>Validate Conda Environment Name</i>
----------------------------------	--

Description

Validate Conda Environment Name

Usage

```
.validate_conda_env(x, param_name)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message

<code>.validate_configure_search</code>	<i>Validate configure_search() Parameters</i>
---	---

Description

Validate configure_search() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_configure_search(  
    max_results,  
    timeout,  
    max_retries,  
    retry_delay,  
    backoff_multiplier,  
    captcha_backoff_base,  
    page_load_wait,  
    inter_search_delay,  
    conda_env  
)
```

```
.validate_configure_tor_registry
```

Validate configure_tor_registry() Parameters

Description

Validate configure_tor_registry() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_configure_tor_registry(
    registry_path,
    enable,
    bad_ttl,
    good_ttl,
    overuse_threshold,
    overuse_decay,
    max_rotation_attempts,
    ip_cache_ttl,
    conda_env
)
```

```
.validate_consistency
```

Validate Logical Consistency Between Parameters

Description

Validate Logical Consistency Between Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_consistency(condition, message, fix)
```

Arguments

condition	Condition that must be TRUE
message	Error message if condition is FALSE
fix	How to fix the issue

<code>.validate_dataframe</code>	<i>Validate Data Frame with Required Columns</i>
----------------------------------	--

Description

Validate Data Frame with Required Columns

Usage

```
.validate_dataframe(x, param_name, required_cols = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message
<code>required_cols</code>	Required column names (optional)

<code>.validate_initialize_agent</code>	<i>Validate initialize_agent() Parameters</i>
---	---

Description

Validate initialize_agent() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_initialize_agent(  
  backend,  
  model,  
  conda_env,  
  proxy,  
  use_memory_folding,  
  memory_threshold,  
  memory_keep_recent,  
  rate_limit,  
  timeout,  
  verbose,  
  tor = NULL  
)
```

<code>.validate_json_schema</code>	<i>Validate JSON Against Expected Schema</i>
------------------------------------	--

Description

Validates that parsed JSON contains all expected fields. Returns a structured validation result indicating success or failure.

Usage

```
.validate_json_schema(parsed, expected_fields)
```

Arguments

<code>parsed</code>	The parsed JSON object (list or NULL)
<code>expected_fields</code>	Character vector of expected field names

Value

A list with: `valid` (logical), `reason` (character), `missing` (character vector)

<code>.validate_logical</code>	<i>Validate Boolean</i>
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Description

Validate Boolean

Usage

```
.validate_logical(x, param_name)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message

<code>.validate_positive</code>	<i>Validate Positive Number</i>
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Description

Validate Positive Number

Usage

```
.validate_positive(x, param_name, allow_zero = FALSE, integer_only = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message
<code>allow_zero</code>	Allow zero values (default: FALSE)
<code>integer_only</code>	Require integer values (default: FALSE)

<code>.validate_process_outputs</code>	<i>Validate process_outputs() Parameters</i>
--	--

Description

Validate process_outputs() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_process_outputs(df, parallel, workers)
```

<code>.validate_proxy_url</code>	<i>Validate URL Format (SOCKS5 Proxy)</i>
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Description

Validate URL Format (SOCKS5 Proxy)

Usage

```
.validate_proxy_url(x, param_name)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check (NULL is valid = no proxy)
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message

<code>.validate_range</code>	<i>Validate Range</i>
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Description

Validate Range

Usage

```
.validate_range(x, param_name, min = NULL, max = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check (must already be validated as numeric)
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message
<code>min</code>	Minimum allowed value (optional)
<code>max</code>	Maximum allowed value (optional)

<code>.validate_required</code>	<i>Validate Required Argument Presence</i>
---------------------------------	--

Description

Validate Required Argument Presence

Usage

```
.validate_required(x, param_name)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message

.validate_research_inputs *Validate Research Inputs*

Description

Validate Research Inputs

Usage

```
.validate_research_inputs(  
    query,  
    schema,  
    output,  
    workers,  
    max_rounds,  
    budget,  
    stop_policy,  
    sources,  
    checkpoint_dir,  
    resume_from  
)
```

.validate_run_agent *Validate run_agent() Parameters*

Description

Validate run_agent() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_run_agent(prompt, agent, recursion_limit, verbose, thread_id = NULL)
```

.validate_run_task *Validate run_task() Parameters*

Description

Validate run_task() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_run_task(prompt, output_format, agent, verbose, thread_id = NULL)
```

.validate_run_task_batch	<i>Validate run_task_batch() Parameters</i>
--------------------------	---

Description

Validate run_task_batch() Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_run_task_batch(  
    prompts,  
    output_format,  
    agent,  
    parallel,  
    workers,  
    progress  
)
```

.validate_s3_class	<i>Validate S3 Class</i>
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Description

Validate S3 Class

Usage

```
.validate_s3_class(x, param_name, expected_class)
```

Arguments

- x Value to check
- param_name Name for error message
- expected_class Expected S3 class name

<code>.validate_string</code>	<i>Validate Non-Empty String</i>
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Description

Validate Non-Empty String

Usage

```
.validate_string(x, param_name, allow_empty = FALSE, allow_na = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message
<code>allow_empty</code>	Allow empty strings (default: FALSE)
<code>allow_na</code>	Allow NA values (default: FALSE)

<code>.validate_string_vector</code>	<i>Validate Character Vector (Non-Empty)</i>
--------------------------------------	--

Description

Validate Character Vector (Non-Empty)

Usage

```
.validate_string_vector(x, param_name, min_length = 1L)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Value to check
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error message
<code>min_length</code>	Minimum required length (default: 1)

<code>.validate_temporal</code>	<i>Validate Temporal Filtering Parameters</i>
---------------------------------	---

Description

Validates and normalizes temporal filtering parameters used by `run_task()` and `asa_enumerate()`. Returns a normalized list or NULL if input is NULL.

Usage

```
.validate_temporal(temporal, param_name = "temporal")
```

Arguments

<code>temporal</code>	Named list with temporal filtering options, or NULL
<code>param_name</code>	Name for error messages (default: "temporal")

Value

Normalized temporal list or NULL

<code>.validate_tor_options</code>	<i>Validate tor_options() Parameters</i>
------------------------------------	--

Description

Validate `tor_options()` Parameters

Usage

```
.validate_tor_options(tor, param_name = "tor")
```

<code>.with_search_config</code>	<i>Apply Search Configuration for a Single Operation</i>
----------------------------------	--

Description

Internal helper that applies search settings, runs a function, and restores the original configuration afterward.

Usage

```
.with_search_config(search, conda_env = "asa_env", fn)
```

Arguments

<code>search</code>	<code>asa_search</code> object or list of search settings
<code>conda_env</code>	Conda env used by search tools
<code>fn</code>	Function to run with search config applied

Value

Result of `fn()`

<code>.with_temporal</code>	<i>Apply Temporal Filtering for a Single Operation</i>
-----------------------------	--

Description

Internal helper that applies temporal filtering, runs a function, and restores the original setting. Used by `run_task()` and `run_task_batch()`.

Usage

```
.with_temporal(temporal, fn)
```

Arguments

<code>temporal</code>	Named list with temporal options (<code>time_filter</code> , <code>after</code> , <code>before</code>)
<code>fn</code>	Function to run with temporal filtering applied

Value

Result of `fn()`

<code>as.data.frame.asa_audit_result</code>	<i>Convert asa_audit_result to Data Frame</i>
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Description

Convert `asa_audit_result` to Data Frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_audit_result'  
as.data.frame(x, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An <code>asa_audit_result</code> object
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

The audited `data.frame` with audit columns

```
as.data.frame.asa_enumerate_result
```

Convert asa_enumerate_result to Data Frame

Description

Convert asa_enumerate_result to Data Frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_enumerate_result'  
as.data.frame(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_enumerate_result object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

The data data.frame from the result

```
as.data.frame.asa_result
```

Convert asa_result to Data Frame

Description

Convert asa_result to Data Frame

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_result'  
as.data.frame(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_result object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

A single-row data frame

`ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_DECREASE`*Adaptive Rate Decrease Factor (on success streak)*

Description

Multiply delays by this factor after 10 consecutive successes.

Usage`ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_DECREASE`**Format**

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

`ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_ENABLED`*Enable Adaptive Rate Limiting*

Description

When TRUE, dynamically adjust delays based on success/error patterns.

Usage`ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_ENABLED`**Format**

An object of class `logical` of length 1.

`ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_INCREASE`*Adaptive Rate Increase Factor (on error)*

Description

Multiply delays by this factor when CAPTCHA/block detected.

Usage`ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_INCREASE`**Format**

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_MAX *Adaptive Rate Maximum Multiplier*

Description

Cap on delay multiplier to prevent excessive slowdown.

Usage

ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_MAX

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_MIN *Adaptive Rate Minimum Multiplier*

Description

Floor on delay multiplier to maintain some speed.

Usage

ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_MIN

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_WINDOW
 Adaptive Rate Window Size (requests)

Description

Number of recent requests to consider for adaptive rate adjustment.

Usage

ASA_ADAPTIVE_RATE_WINDOW

Format

An object of class `integer` of length 1.

asa_agent	<i>Constructor for asa_agent Objects</i>
-----------	--

Description

Creates an S3 object representing an initialized ASA search agent.

Usage

asa_agent(python_agent, backend, model, config, llm = NULL, tools = NULL)

Arguments

- | | |
|--------------|--|
| python_agent | The underlying Python agent object |
| backend | LLM backend name (e.g., "openai", "groq") |
| model | Model identifier |
| config | Agent configuration list |
| llm | Optional LLM object used by LangGraph |
| tools | Optional list of tools associated with the agent |

Value

An object of class asa_agent

ASA_API_ENDPOINTS	<i>Backend API Endpoints</i>
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Description

Backend API Endpoints

Usage

ASA_API_ENDPOINTS

Format

An object of class list of length 3.

ASA_API_KEY_ENV_VARS	<i>Environment Variables for API Keys</i>
----------------------	---

Description

Environment Variables for API Keys

Usage

ASA_API_KEY_ENV_VARS

Format

An object of class `list` of length 5.

asa_audit	<i>Audit Enumeration Results for Completeness and Quality</i>
-----------	---

Description

Validates enumeration results for completeness, consistency, and data quality using either Claude Code (CLI) or a LangGraph-based audit pipeline.

Usage

```
asa_audit(  
  result,  
  query = NULL,  
  known_universe = NULL,  
  checks = c("completeness", "consistency", "gaps", "anomalies"),  
  backend = c("claude_code", "langgraph"),  
  claude_model = "claude-sonnet-4-20250514",  
  llm_model = "gpt-4.1-mini",  
  interactive = FALSE,  
  confidence_threshold = 0.8,  
  timeout = 120,  
  verbose = TRUE,  
  agent = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

result	An <code>asa_enumerate_result</code> object or a <code>data.frame</code> to audit
query	The original enumeration query (inferred from result if NULL)
known_universe	Optional vector of expected items for completeness check
checks	Character vector of checks to perform. Options: "completeness", "consistency", "gaps", "anomalies". Default runs all checks.
backend	Backend to use for auditing: "claude_code" (CLI) or "langgraph"

claude_model	Model to use with Claude Code backend
llm_model	Model to use with LangGraph backend
interactive	If TRUE and using claude_code backend, spawn an interactive Claude Code session instead of programmatic invocation
confidence_threshold	Flag items with confidence below this threshold
timeout	Timeout in seconds for the audit operation
verbose	Print progress messages
agent	Existing asa_agent for LangGraph backend (optional)

Details

The audit function adds three columns to the data:

- `_audit_flag`: "ok", "warning", or "suspect"
- `_audit_notes`: Explanation of any issues
- `_confidence_adjusted`: Revised confidence after audit

Audit Checks

completeness: Checks for missing items by comparing against `known_universe` (if provided) or using domain knowledge.

consistency: Validates data types, patterns, and value ranges.

gaps: Identifies systematic patterns of missing data (geographic, temporal, categorical gaps).

anomalies: Detects duplicates, outliers, and suspicious patterns.

Value

An `asa_audit_result` object containing:

data	Original data with audit columns added (<code>_audit_flag</code> , <code>_audit_notes</code>)
audit_summary	High-level summary of findings
issues	List of identified issues with severity and descriptions
recommendations	Suggested remediation queries
completeness_score	0-1 score for data completeness
consistency_score	0-1 score for data consistency

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Audit enumeration results with Claude Code
senators <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find all current US senators",
  schema = c(name = "character", state = "character", party = "character")
)
audit <- asa_audit(senators, backend = "claude_code")
print(audit)
```

```
# Audit with known universe for precise completeness check
audit <- asa_audit(senators, known_universe = state.abb)

# Interactive mode for complex audits
asa_audit(senators, backend = "claude_code", interactive = TRUE)

# Use LangGraph backend
audit <- asa_audit(senators, backend = "langgraph", agent = agent)

## End(Not run)
```

asa_audit_result	<i>Constructor for asa_audit_result Objects</i>
------------------	---

Description

Creates an S3 object representing the result of a data quality audit.

Usage

```
asa_audit_result(
  data,
  audit_summary,
  issues,
  recommendations,
  completeness_score,
  consistency_score,
  backend_used,
  elapsed_time,
  query = NULL,
  checks = NULL
)
```

Arguments

data	data.frame with original data plus audit columns (<code>_audit_flag</code> , <code>_audit_notes</code>)
audit_summary	Character string with high-level findings
issues	List of identified issues with severity and descriptions
recommendations	Character vector of suggested remediation queries
completeness_score	Numeric 0-1 score for data completeness
consistency_score	Numeric 0-1 score for data consistency
backend_used	Which backend performed the audit ("claude_code" or "langgraph")
elapsed_time	Execution time in seconds
query	The original query (if available)
checks	Character vector of checks that were performed

Value

An object of class asa_audit_result

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_COOLDOWN

Circuit Breaker Cooldown Period (seconds to wait when tripped)

Description

Circuit Breaker Cooldown Period (seconds to wait when tripped)

Usage

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_COOLDOWN

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_ENABLED

Enable Circuit Breaker by default

Description

Enable Circuit Breaker by default

Usage

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_ENABLED

Format

An object of class logical of length 1.

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_THRESHOLD

Circuit Breaker Error Threshold (trip if error rate exceeds this)

Description

Circuit Breaker Error Threshold (trip if error rate exceeds this)

Usage

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_THRESHOLD

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_WINDOW	<i>Circuit Breaker Window Size (number of recent requests to consider)</i>
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Description

Circuit Breaker Window Size (number of recent requests to consider)

Usage

ASA_CIRCUIT_BREAKER_WINDOW

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

asa_config	<i>Create ASA Configuration Object</i>
------------	--

Description

Creates a configuration object that encapsulates all settings for ASA tasks. This provides a unified way to configure backend, model, search, temporal, and resource settings in a single object.

Usage

```
asa_config(  
  backend = NULL,  
  model = NULL,  
  conda_env = NULL,  
  proxy = NULL,  
  workers = NULL,  
  timeout = NULL,  
  rate_limit = NULL,  
  memory_folding = NULL,  
  memory_threshold = NULL,  
  memory_keep_recent = NULL,  
  temporal = NULL,  
  search = NULL,  
  tor = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

backend	LLM backend: "openai", "groq", "xai", "exo", "openrouter"
model	Model identifier (e.g., "gpt-4.1-mini")
conda_env	Conda environment name (default: "asa_env")
proxy	SOCKS5 proxy URL or NULL to disable

workers	Number of parallel workers for batch operations
timeout	Request timeout in seconds
rate_limit	Requests per second
memory_folding	Enable DeepAgent-style memory folding
memory_threshold	Messages before folding triggers
memory_keep_recent	Messages to preserve after folding
temporal	Temporal filtering options (use temporal_options())
search	Search configuration (use search_options())
tor	Tor registry options (use tor_options())

Details

The configuration object can be passed to `run_task()`, `run_task_batch()`, `asa_enumerate()`, and other functions to provide consistent settings across operations.

Value

An object of class `asa_config`

See Also

[temporal_options](#), [search_options](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Create configuration
config <- asa_config(
  backend = "openai",
  model = "gpt-4.1-mini",
  workers = 4,
  temporal = temporal_options(time_filter = "y")
)

# Use with run_task
result <- run_task(prompt, config = config)

## End(Not run)
```

ASA_DEFAULT_BACKEND	<i>Default Backend</i>
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Description

Default Backend

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_BACKEND

Format

An object of class character of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_BUDGET_QUERIES
<i>Default Budget: Queries</i>

Description

Default Budget: Queries

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_BUDGET_QUERIES

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_BUDGET_TIME
<i>Default Budget: Time (seconds)</i>

Description

Default Budget: Time (seconds)

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_BUDGET_TIME

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_BUDGET_TOKENS

Default Budget: Tokens

Description

Default Budget: Tokens

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_BUDGET_TOKENS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_CAPTCHA_BACKOFF_BASE

Default CAPTCHA Backoff Base Multiplier

Description

Aggressive backoff on CAPTCHA: 5.0x multiplier. Results in 5s, 10s, 15s delays on successive CAPTCHA encounters.

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_CAPTCHA_BACKOFF_BASE

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_CONDA_ENV *Default Conda Environment*

Description

Default Conda Environment

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_CONDA_ENV

Format

An object of class character of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_INTER_SEARCH_DELAY

Default Inter-Search Delay (seconds)

Description

Conservative default: 2.0 seconds between searches. More human-like pacing to avoid detection at high volumes.

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_INTER_SEARCH_DELAY

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_RESULTS

Default Max Search Results

Description

Default Max Search Results

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_RESULTS

Format

An object of class `integer` of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_RETRIES

Default Max Retries

Description

Default Max Retries

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_RETRIES

Format

An object of class `integer` of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_ROUNDS

Default Max Rounds for Enumeration

Description

Default Max Rounds for Enumeration

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_ROUNDS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MEMORY_FOLDING

Default Memory Folding Enabled

Description

Default Memory Folding Enabled

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MEMORY_FOLDING

Format

An object of class logical of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MEMORY_KEEP_RECENT

Default Messages to Keep After Folding

Description

Default Messages to Keep After Folding

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MEMORY_KEEP_RECENT

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MEMORY_THRESHOLD	<i>Default Memory Threshold (messages before folding)</i>
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Description

Default Memory Threshold (messages before folding)

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MEMORY_THRESHOLD

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_MODEL	<i>Default Model</i>
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Description

Default Model

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_MODEL

Format

An object of class character of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_NOVELTY_MIN	<i>Default Minimum Novelty Rate</i>
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Description

Default Minimum Novelty Rate

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_NOVELTY_MIN

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_NOVELTY_WINDOW

Default Novelty Window

Description

Default Novelty Window

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_NOVELTY_WINDOW

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_PAGE_LOAD_WAIT

Default Page Load Wait (seconds)

Description

Default Page Load Wait (seconds)

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_PAGE_LOAD_WAIT

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_PLATEAU_ROUNDS

Default Plateau Rounds for Stopping

Description

Default Plateau Rounds for Stopping

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_PLATEAU_ROUNDS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_PROXY	<i>Default Proxy URL (Tor SOCKS5)</i>
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Description

Default Proxy URL (Tor SOCKS5)

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_PROXY

Format

An object of class character of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_RATE_LIMIT	<i>Default Rate Limit (requests per second)</i>
------------------------	---

Description

Conservative default: 0.1 = 10 seconds between requests. Tuned for heavy volume (1000+ queries/day) to reduce CAPTCHA/blocks.

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_RATE_LIMIT

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_TEMPERATURES	<i>Default Temperatures by Backend</i>
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Description

Default Temperatures by Backend

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_TEMPERATURES

Format

An object of class list of length 5.

ASA_DEFAULT_TIMEOUT	<i>Default Request Timeout (seconds)</i>
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Description

Default Request Timeout (seconds)

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_TIMEOUT

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_WIKI_CHARS

Default Wikipedia Content Chars

Description

Default Wikipedia Content Chars

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_WIKI_CHARS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_WIKI_TOP_K

Default Wikipedia Top K Results

Description

Default Wikipedia Top K Results

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_WIKI_TOP_K

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_DEFAULT_WORKERS	<i>Default Max Workers for Enumeration</i>
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Description

Default Max Workers for Enumeration

Usage

ASA_DEFAULT_WORKERS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

asa_enumerate	<i>Multi-Agent Research for Open-Ended Queries</i>
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Description

Performs intelligent open-ended research tasks using multi-agent orchestration. Decomposes complex queries into sub-tasks, executes parallel searches, and aggregates results into structured output (data.frame, CSV, or JSON).

Usage

```
asa_enumerate(  
  query,  
  schema = NULL,  
  output = c("data.frame", "csv", "json"),  
  workers = NULL,  
  max_rounds = NULL,  
  budget = list(queries = 50L, tokens = 200000L, time_sec = 300L),  
  stop_policy = list(target_items = NULL, plateau_rounds = 2L, novelty_min = 0.05,  
    novelty_window = 20L),  
  sources = list(web = TRUE, wikipedia = TRUE, wikidata = TRUE),  
  temporal = NULL,  
  pagination = TRUE,  
  progress = TRUE,  
  include_provenance = FALSE,  
  checkpoint = TRUE,  
  checkpoint_dir = tempdir(),  
  resume_from = NULL,  
  agent = NULL,  
  backend = NULL,  
  model = NULL,  
  conda_env = NULL,  
  verbose = TRUE  
)
```

Arguments

query	Character string describing the research goal. Examples: "Find all current US senators with their state, party, and term end date"
schema	Named character vector defining the output schema. Names are column names, values are R types ("character", "numeric", "logical"). Use NULL or "auto" for LLM-proposed schema.
output	Output format: "data.frame" (default), "csv", or "json".
workers	Number of parallel search workers. Defaults to value from ASA_DEFAULT_WORKERS (typically 4).
max_rounds	Maximum research iterations. Defaults to value from ASA_DEFAULT_MAX_ROUNDS (typically 8).
budget	Named list with resource limits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> queries: Maximum search queries (default: 50) tokens: Maximum LLM tokens (default: 200000) time_sec: Maximum execution time in seconds (default: 300)
stop_policy	Named list with stopping criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> target_items: Stop when this many items found (NULL = unknown) plateau_rounds: Stop after N rounds with no new items (default: 2) novelty_min: Minimum new items ratio per round (default: 0.05) novelty_window: Window size for novelty calculation (default: 20)
sources	Named list controlling which sources to use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> web: Use DuckDuckGo web search (default: TRUE) wikipedia: Use Wikipedia (default: TRUE) wikidata: Use Wikidata SPARQL for authoritative enumerations (default: TRUE)
temporal	Named list for temporal filtering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> after: ISO 8601 date string (e.g., "2020-01-01") - results after this date before: ISO 8601 date string (e.g., "2024-01-01") - results before this date time_filter: DuckDuckGo time filter ("d", "w", "m", "y") for day/week/month/year strictness: "best_effort" (default) or "strict" (verifies dates via metadata) use_wayback: Use Wayback Machine for strict pre-date guarantees (default: FALSE)
pagination	Enable pagination for large result sets (default: TRUE).
progress	Show progress bar and status updates (default: TRUE).
include_provenance	Include source URLs and confidence per row (default: FALSE).
checkpoint	Enable auto-save after each round (default: TRUE).
checkpoint_dir	Directory for checkpoint files (default: tempdir()).
resume_from	Path to checkpoint file to resume from (default: NULL).
agent	An initialized asa_agent object. If NULL, uses the current agent or creates a new one with specified backend/model.
backend	LLM backend if creating new agent: "openai", "groq", "xai", "openrouter".
model	Model identifier if creating new agent.
conda_env	Conda environment name (default: "asa_env").
verbose	Print status messages (default: TRUE).

Details

The function uses a multi-agent architecture:

1. **Planner:** Decomposes query into facets and identifies authoritative sources
2. **Dispatcher:** Spawns parallel workers for each facet
3. **Workers:** Execute searches using DDG, Wikipedia, and Wikidata
4. **Extractor:** Normalizes results to match schema
5. **Deduper:** Removes duplicates using hash + fuzzy matching
6. **Stopper:** Evaluates stopping criteria (novelty, budget, saturation)

For known entity types (US senators, countries, Fortune 500), Wikidata provides authoritative enumerations with complete, verified data.

Value

An object of class `asa_enumerate_result` containing:

- `data`: `data.frame` with results matching the schema
- `status`: "complete", "partial", or "failed"
- `stop_reason`: Why the search stopped
- `metrics`: List with rounds, queries_used, novelty_curve, coverage
- `provenance`: If `include_provenance=TRUE`, source info per row
- `checkpoint_file`: Path to checkpoint if saved

Checkpointing

With `checkpoint=TRUE`, state is saved after each round. If interrupted, use `resume_from` to continue from the last checkpoint:

```
result <- asa_enumerate(query, resume_from = "/path/to/checkpoint.rds")
```

Schema

The schema defines expected output columns:

```
schema = c(name = "character", state = "character", party = "character")
```

With `schema = "auto"`, the planner agent proposes a schema based on the query.

See Also

[run_task](#), [initialize_agent](#)

Examples

```

## Not run:
# Find all US senators
senators <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find all current US senators with state, party, and term end date",
  schema = c(name = "character", state = "character",
    party = "character", term_end = "character"),
  stop_policy = list(target_items = 100),
  include_provenance = TRUE
)
head(senators$data)

# Find countries with auto schema
countries <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find all countries with their capitals and populations",
  schema = "auto",
  output = "csv"
)

# Resume from checkpoint
result <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find Fortune 500 CEOs",
  resume_from = "/tmp/asa_enumerate_abc123.rds"
)

# Temporal filtering: results from specific date range
companies_2020s <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find tech companies founded recently",
  temporal = list(
    after = "2020-01-01",
    before = "2024-01-01",
    strictness = "best_effort"
  )
)

# Temporal filtering: past year with DuckDuckGo time filter
recent_news <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find AI research breakthroughs",
  temporal = list(
    time_filter = "y" # past year
  )
)

# Strict temporal filtering with Wayback Machine
historical <- asa_enumerate(
  query = "Find Fortune 500 companies",
  temporal = list(
    before = "2015-01-01",
    strictness = "strict",
    use_wayback = TRUE
  )
)

## End(Not run)

```

`asa_enumerate_result` *Constructor for `asa_enumerate_result` Objects*

Description

Creates an S3 object representing the result of an enumeration task.

Usage

```
asa_enumerate_result(
  data,
  status,
  stop_reason,
  metrics,
  provenance = NULL,
  plan = NULL,
  checkpoint_file = NULL,
  query = NULL,
  schema = NULL
)
```

Arguments

<code>data</code>	data.frame containing the enumeration results
<code>status</code>	Result status: "complete", "partial", or "failed"
<code>stop_reason</code>	Why the enumeration stopped (e.g., "target_reached", "novelty_plateau")
<code>metrics</code>	List with execution metrics (rounds, queries_used, etc.)
<code>provenance</code>	Optional data.frame with source information per row
<code>plan</code>	The enumeration plan from the planner agent
<code>checkpoint_file</code>	Path to saved checkpoint file
<code>query</code>	The original enumeration query
<code>schema</code>	The schema used for extraction

Value

An object of class `asa_enumerate_result`

`ASA_HUMANIZE_TIMING` *Enable Humanized Timing (random jitter on delays)*

Description

Enable Humanized Timing (random jitter on delays)

Usage

```
ASA_HUMANIZE_TIMING
```

Format

An object of class `logical` of length 1.

ASA_JITTER_FACTOR	<i>Jitter Factor for random timing variation</i>
-------------------	--

Description

Jitter Factor for random timing variation

Usage

ASA_JITTER_FACTOR

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_OUTPUT_FORMATS	<i>Valid Output Formats</i>
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Description

Valid Output Formats

Usage

ASA_OUTPUT_FORMATS

Format

An object of class `character` of length 3.

ASA_PRINT_WIDTH	<i>Print Width for Output</i>
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Description

Print Width for Output

Usage

ASA_PRINT_WIDTH

Format

An object of class `integer` of length 1.

ASA_PROACTIVE_ROTATION_ENABLED
Enable Proactive Tor Circuit Rotation

Description

When TRUE, rotate Tor circuit every N requests (not just on error).

Usage

ASA_PROACTIVE_ROTATION_ENABLED

Format

An object of class logical of length 1.

ASA_PROACTIVE_ROTATION_INTERVAL
Proactive Rotation Interval (requests)

Description

Rotate Tor circuit every 15 requests to get fresh exit node IP.

Usage

ASA_PROACTIVE_ROTATION_INTERVAL

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_RATE_LIMIT_BUCKET_SIZE
Proactive Rate Limit Bucket Size (max tokens)

Description

Proactive Rate Limit Bucket Size (max tokens)

Usage

ASA_RATE_LIMIT_BUCKET_SIZE

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_RATE_LIMIT_PROACTIVE	<i>Enable Proactive Rate Limiting (default: TRUE)</i>
--------------------------	---

Description

Enable Proactive Rate Limiting (default: TRUE)

Usage

ASA_RATE_LIMIT_PROACTIVE

Format

An object of class logical of length 1.

ASA_RATE_LIMIT_WAIT	<i>Rate Limit Wait Time (seconds)</i>
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Description

Rate Limit Wait Time (seconds)

Usage

ASA_RATE_LIMIT_WAIT

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_RECURSION_LIMIT_FOLDING	<i>Recursion Limit with Memory Folding</i>
-----------------------------	--

Description

Recursion Limit with Memory Folding

Usage

ASA_RECURSION_LIMIT_FOLDING

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_RECURSION_LIMIT_STANDARD	
<i>Recursion Limit without Memory Folding</i>	

Description	
Recursion Limit without Memory Folding	
Usage	
ASA_RECURSION_LIMIT_STANDARD	
Format	
An object of class integer of length 1.	

asa_response	<i>Constructor for asa_response Objects</i>
--------------	---

Description

Creates an S3 object representing an agent response.

Usage

```
asa_response(  
  message,  
  status_code,  
  raw_response,  
  trace,  
  elapsed_time,  
  fold_count,  
  prompt  
)
```

Arguments

message	The final response text
status_code	Status code (200 = success, 100 = error)
raw_response	The full Python response object
trace	Full text trace of agent execution
elapsed_time	Execution time in minutes
fold_count	Number of memory folds performed
prompt	The original prompt

Value

An object of class asa_response

asa_result	<i>Constructor for asa_result Objects</i>
------------	---

Description

Creates an S3 object representing the result of a research task.

Usage

```
asa_result(  
  prompt,  
  message,  
  parsed,  
  raw_output,  
  elapsed_time,  
  status,  
  search_tier = "unknown",  
  parsing_status = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

prompt	The original prompt
message	The agent’s response text
parsed	Parsed output (list or NULL)
raw_output	Full agent trace
elapsed_time	Execution time in minutes
status	Status ("success" or "error")
search_tier	Which search tier was used ("primp", "selenium", "ddgs", "requests", or "unknown"). Useful for assessing result quality.
parsing_status	List with JSON parsing validation info: valid (logical), reason ("ok", "parsing_failed", "not_object", "missing_fields", "null_values", "no_validation"), and missing (character vector of missing/invalid fields).

Value

An object of class `asa_result`

ASA_SESSION_RESET_ENABLED	<i>Enable Session Reset</i>
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Description

When TRUE, periodically reset session identity to avoid fingerprinting.

Usage

ASA_SESSION_RESET_ENABLED

Format

An object of class logical of length 1.

ASA_SESSION_RESET_INTERVAL	<i>Session Reset Interval (requests)</i>
----------------------------	--

Description

Reset session identity every 50 requests (clear cookies, shuffle UA).

Usage

ASA_SESSION_RESET_INTERVAL

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_STATUS_ERROR	<i>Status Code: Error</i>
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Description

Status Code: Error

Usage

ASA_STATUS_ERROR

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_STATUS_SUCCESS	<i>Status Code: Success</i>
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Description

Status Code: Success

Usage

ASA_STATUS_SUCCESS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_SUPPORTED_BACKENDS	<i>Supported Backends</i>
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Description

Supported Backends

Usage

ASA_SUPPORTED_BACKENDS

Format

An object of class character of length 5.

ASA_TEMPORAL_STRICTNESS	<i>Valid Temporal Strictness Levels</i>
-------------------------	---

Description

Valid Temporal Strictness Levels

Usage

ASA_TEMPORAL_STRICTNESS

Format

An object of class character of length 2.

ASA_TIME_FILTERS	<i>Valid Temporal Time Filters</i>
------------------	------------------------------------

Description

Valid Temporal Time Filters

Usage

ASA_TIME_FILTERS

Format

An object of class character of length 4.

ASA_TOR_BAD_TTL	<i>Tor Exit Bad TTL (seconds)</i>
-----------------	-----------------------------------

Description

How long to keep a bad/tainted exit before allowing reuse.

Usage

ASA_TOR_BAD_TTL

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_TOR_GOOD_TTL	<i>Tor Exit Good TTL (seconds)</i>
------------------	------------------------------------

Description

How long to treat an exit as good before requiring a refresh.

Usage

ASA_TOR_GOOD_TTL

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_TOR_IP_CACHE_TTL	<i>Tor Exit IP Cache TTL (seconds)</i>
----------------------	--

Description

How long to cache exit IP lookups before refreshing.

Usage

ASA_TOR_IP_CACHE_TTL

Format

An object of class `numeric` of length 1.

ASA_TOR_MAX_ROTATION_ATTEMPTS

Tor Rotation Attempts when Exit is Bad/Overused

Description

Tor Rotation Attempts when Exit is Bad/Overused

Usage

ASA_TOR_MAX_ROTATION_ATTEMPTS

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_TOR_MIN_ROTATION_INTERVAL

Minimum Tor Rotation Interval (seconds)

Description

Minimum time between Tor circuit rotations to avoid hammering.

Usage

ASA_TOR_MIN_ROTATION_INTERVAL

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_DECAY *Tor Exit Overuse Decay Window (seconds)*

Description

Time window for counting recent uses before decaying counts.

Usage

ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_DECAY

Format

An object of class numeric of length 1.

ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_THRESHOLD

Tor Exit Overuse Threshold

Description

Maximum recent uses before a good exit is considered overloaded.

Usage

ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_THRESHOLD

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

ASA_TOR_REGISTRY_ENABLED

Enable Shared Tor Exit Registry

Description

When TRUE, track Tor exit IP health (good/bad/overused) in a shared store.

Usage

ASA_TOR_REGISTRY_ENABLED

Format

An object of class logical of length 1.

ASA_TRUNCATE_LENGTH

String Truncation Length

Description

String Truncation Length

Usage

ASA_TRUNCATE_LENGTH

Format

An object of class integer of length 1.

build_backend	<i>Build the Python Backend Environment</i>
---------------	---

Description

Creates a conda environment with all required Python dependencies for the asa search agent, including LangChain, LangGraph, and search tools.

Usage

```
build_backend(conda_env = "asa_env", conda = "auto", python_version = "3.13")
```

Arguments

conda_env	Name of the conda environment (default: "asa_env")
conda	Path to conda executable (default: "auto")
python_version	Python version to use (default: "3.13")

Details

This function creates a new conda environment and installs the following Python packages:

- langchain_groq, langchain_community, langchain_openai
- langgraph
- ddgs (DuckDuckGo search)
- selenium, primp (browser automation)
- undetected-chromedriver (stealth Chrome)
- beautifulsoup4, requests
- fake_headers, httpx
- stem (Tor control)
- pysocks, socksio (proxy support)

Value

Invisibly returns NULL; called for side effects.

Examples

```
## Not run:  
# Create the default environment  
build_backend()  
  
# Create with a custom name  
build_backend(conda_env = "my_asa_env")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

build_prompt	<i>Build a Task Prompt from Template</i>
--------------	--

Description

Creates a formatted prompt by substituting variables into a template.

Usage

```
build_prompt(template, ...)
```

Arguments

template	A character string with placeholders in the form {variable_name}
...	Named arguments to substitute into the template

Value

A formatted prompt string

Examples

```
## Not run:
prompt <- build_prompt(
  template = "Find information about {{name}} in {{country}} during {{year}}",
  name = "Marie Curie",
  country = "France",
  year = 1903
)

## End(Not run)
```

check_backend	<i>Check Python Environment Availability</i>
---------------	--

Description

Checks if the required Python environment and packages are available.

Usage

```
check_backend(conda_env = "asa_env")
```

Arguments

conda_env	Name of the conda environment to check
-----------	--

Value

A list with components:

- available: Logical, TRUE if environment is ready
- conda_env: Name of the environment checked
- python_version: Python version if available
- missing_packages: Character vector of missing packages (if any)

Examples

```
## Not run:  
status <- check_backend()  
if (!status$available) {  
  build_backend()  
}  
  
## End(Not run)
```

clean_whitespace	<i>Clean Whitespace</i>
------------------	-------------------------

Description

Normalizes whitespace in a string by collapsing multiple spaces and trimming leading/trailing whitespace.

Usage

```
clean_whitespace(x)
```

Arguments

x	Character string
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Value

Cleaned string

configure_search

*Configure Python Search Parameters***Description**

Sets global configuration values for the Python search module. These values control timeouts, retry behavior, and result limits.

Usage

```
configure_search(
    max_results = NULL,
    timeout = NULL,
    max_retries = NULL,
    retry_delay = NULL,
    backoff_multiplier = NULL,
    captcha_backoff_base = NULL,
    page_load_wait = NULL,
    inter_search_delay = NULL,
    conda_env = "asa_env"
)
```

Arguments

max_results	Maximum number of search results to return (default: 10)
timeout	HTTP request timeout in seconds (default: 15)
max_retries	Maximum retry attempts on failure (default: 3)
retry_delay	Initial delay between retries in seconds (default: 2)
backoff_multiplier	Multiplier for exponential backoff (default: 1.5)
captcha_backoff_base	Base multiplier for CAPTCHA backoff (default: 3)
page_load_wait	Wait time after page load in seconds (default: 2)
inter_search_delay	Delay between consecutive searches in seconds (default: 0.5)
conda_env	Name of the conda environment (default: "asa_env")

Value

Invisibly returns a list with the current configuration

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Increase timeout for slow connections
configure_search(timeout = 30, max_retries = 5)

# Get more results
configure_search(max_results = 20)
```

```
# Add delay between searches to avoid rate limiting
configure_search(inter_search_delay = 2.0)

## End(Not run)
```

`configure_search_logging`*Configure Python Search Logging Level*

Description

Sets the logging level for the Python search module. This controls how much diagnostic output is produced during web searches.

Usage

```
configure_search_logging(level = "WARNING", conda_env = "asa_env")
```

Arguments

level	Log level: "DEBUG", "INFO", "WARNING" (default), "ERROR", or "CRITICAL"
conda_env	Name of the conda environment (default: "asa_env")

Details

Log levels from most to least verbose:

- DEBUG: Detailed diagnostic information for debugging
- INFO: General operational information
- WARNING: Indicates something unexpected but not an error (default)
- ERROR: Serious problems that prevented an operation
- CRITICAL: Very serious errors

Value

Invisibly returns the current logging level

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Enable verbose debugging output
configure_search_logging("DEBUG")

# Run a search (will show detailed logs)
result <- run_task("What is the population of Tokyo?", agent = agent)

# Disable verbose output
configure_search_logging("WARNING")

## End(Not run)
```

configure_temporal	<i>Configure Temporal Filtering for Search</i>
--------------------	--

Description

Sets or clears temporal filtering on the DuckDuckGo search tool. This affects all subsequent searches until changed or cleared.

Usage

```
configure_temporal(time_filter = NULL)
```

Arguments

time_filter	DuckDuckGo time filter: "d" (day), "w" (week), "m" (month), "y" (year), or NULL/NA/"none" to clear
-------------	--

Details

This function modifies the search tool's time parameter, which is passed to DuckDuckGo as the df parameter. The filter restricts results to content indexed within the specified time period.

Note: This only affects DuckDuckGo searches. For Wikidata queries with temporal filtering, use `asa_enumerate()` with its temporal parameter.

Value

Invisibly returns the previous time filter setting

Time Filter Values

- "d": Past 24 hours (day)
- "w": Past 7 days (week)
- "m": Past 30 days (month)
- "y": Past 365 days (year)
- NULL, NA, or "none": No time restriction (default)

See Also

[run_task](#), [asa_enumerate](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Restrict to past year
configure_temporal("y")
result <- run_task("Find recent AI breakthroughs", agent = agent)

# Clear temporal filter
configure_temporal(NULL)

# Past week only
```

```
configure_temporal("w")

## End(Not run)
```

```
configure_tor_registry
```

Configure Tor Exit Registry

Description

Sets up the shared Tor exit health registry used by the Python search stack to avoid reusing tainted or overused exit nodes.

Usage

```
configure_tor_registry(
  registry_path = NULL,
  enable = ASA_TOR_REGISTRY_ENABLED,
  bad_ttl = ASA_TOR_BAD_TTL,
  good_ttl = ASA_TOR_GOOD_TTL,
  overuse_threshold = ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_THRESHOLD,
  overuse_decay = ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_DECAY,
  max_rotation_attempts = ASA_TOR_MAX_ROTATION_ATTEMPTS,
  ip_cache_ttl = ASA_TOR_IP_CACHE_TTL,
  conda_env = "asa_env"
)
```

Arguments

registry_path	Path to the SQLite registry file (default: user cache).
enable	Enable the registry (set FALSE to disable tracking).
bad_ttl	Seconds to keep a bad/tainted exit before reuse.
good_ttl	Seconds to treat an exit as good before refreshing.
overuse_threshold	Maximum recent uses before a good exit is treated as overloaded.
overuse_decay	Window (seconds) for counting recent uses before decay.
max_rotation_attempts	Maximum rotations to find a clean exit.
ip_cache_ttl	Seconds to cache exit IP lookups.
conda_env	Conda environment name for the Python module.

Value

Invisibly returns a list of the configured values (or NULL on error).

decode_html	<i>Decode HTML Entities</i>
-------------	-----------------------------

Description

Converts HTML entities to their character equivalents.

Usage

decode_html(x)

Arguments

x Character string with HTML entities

Value

Decoded string

extract_agent_results	<i>Extract Structured Data from Agent Traces</i>
-----------------------	--

Description

Parses raw agent output to extract search snippets, Wikipedia content, URLs, JSON data, and search tier information. This is the main function for post-processing agent traces.

Usage

extract_agent_results(raw_output)

Arguments

raw_output Raw output string from agent invocation (the trace field from an asa_response object)

Value

A list with components:

- search_snippets: Character vector of search result content
- search_urls: Character vector of URLs from search results
- wikipedia_snippets: Character vector of Wikipedia content
- json_data: Extracted JSON data as a list (if present)
- search_tiers: Character vector of unique search tiers used (e.g., "primp", "selenium", "ddgs", "requests")

Examples

```
## Not run:
response <- run_agent("Who is the president of France?", agent)
extracted <- extract_agent_results(response$trace)
print(extracted$search_snippets)
print(extracted$search_tiers) # Shows which search tier was used

## End(Not run)
```

`extract_search_snippets`*Extract Search Snippets by Source Number*

Description

Extracts content from Search tool messages in the agent trace.

Usage

```
extract_search_snippets(text)
```

Arguments

<code>text</code>	Raw agent trace text
-------------------	----------------------

Value

Character vector of search snippets, ordered by source number

Examples

```
## Not run:
snippets <- extract_search_snippets(response$trace)

## End(Not run)
```

`extract_search_tiers` *Extract Search Tier Information*

Description

Extracts which search tier was used from the agent trace. The search module uses a multi-tier fallback system:

- primp: Fast HTTP client with browser impersonation (Tier 0)
- selenium: Headless browser for JS-rendered content (Tier 1)
- ddgs: Standard DDGS Python library (Tier 2)
- requests: Raw POST to DuckDuckGo HTML endpoint (Tier 3)

Usage

```
extract_search_tiers(text)
```

Arguments

text	Raw agent trace text
------	----------------------

Value

Character vector of unique tier names encountered (e.g., "primp", "selenium", "ddgs", "requests")

Examples

```
## Not run:
tiers <- extract_search_tiers(response$trace)
print(tiers) # e.g., "primp"

## End(Not run)
```

extract_urls	<i>Extract URLs by Source Number</i>
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Description

Extracts URLs from Search tool messages in the agent trace.

Usage

```
extract_urls(text)
```

Arguments

text	Raw agent trace text
------	----------------------

Value

Character vector of URLs, ordered by source number

Examples

```
## Not run:
urls <- extract_urls(response$trace)

## End(Not run)
```

extract_wikipedia_content	<i>Extract Wikipedia Content</i>
---------------------------	----------------------------------

Description

Extracts content from Wikipedia tool messages in the agent trace.

Usage

extract_wikipedia_content(text)

Arguments

text Raw agent trace text

Value

Character vector of Wikipedia snippets

Examples

```
## Not run:
wiki <- extract_wikipedia_content(response$trace)

## End(Not run)
```

format_duration	<i>Format Time Duration</i>
-----------------	-----------------------------

Description

Formats a numeric duration (in minutes) as a human-readable string.

Usage

format_duration(minutes)

Arguments

minutes Numeric duration in minutes

Value

Formatted string

get_agent	<i>Get the Current Agent</i>
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Description

Returns the currently initialized agent, or NULL if not initialized.

Usage

```
get_agent()
```

Value

An asa_agent object or NULL

Examples

```
## Not run:
agent <- get_agent()
if (is.null(agent)) {
  agent <- initialize_agent()
}

## End(Not run)
```

get_tor_ip	<i>Get External IP via Tor</i>
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Description

Retrieves the external IP address as seen through Tor proxy.

Usage

```
get_tor_ip(proxy = "socks5h://127.0.0.1:9050", timeout = 30L)
```

Arguments

proxy	Tor proxy URL (e.g., "socks5h://127.0.0.1:9050" for default, or "socks5h://127.0.0.1:9055" for instance on port 9055)
timeout	Timeout in seconds (default: 30). Useful for parallel workloads where some Tor exits may be slow.

Value

IP address string or NA on failure

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Default Tor instance
ip <- get_tor_ip()
message("Current Tor IP: ", ip)

# Check specific Tor instance (e.g., for parallel jobs)
ip <- get_tor_ip(proxy = "socks5h://127.0.0.1:9055")

## End(Not run)
```

initialize_agent

Initialize the ASA Search Agent

Description

Initializes the Python environment and creates the LangGraph agent with search tools (Wikipedia, DuckDuckGo). The agent can use multiple LLM backends and supports DeepAgent-style memory folding.

Usage

```
initialize_agent(
  backend = "openai",
  model = "gpt-4.1-mini",
  conda_env = "asa_env",
  proxy = "socks5h://127.0.0.1:9050",
  use_memory_folding = TRUE,
  memory_threshold = 4L,
  memory_keep_recent = 2L,
  rate_limit = 0.2,
  timeout = 120L,
  tor = tor_options(),
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

backend	LLM backend to use. One of: "openai", "groq", "xai", "exo", "openrouter"
model	Model identifier (e.g., "gpt-4.1-mini", "llama-3.3-70b-versatile")
conda_env	Name of the conda environment with Python dependencies
proxy	SOCKS5 proxy URL for Tor (default: "socks5h://127.0.0.1:9050"). Set to NULL to disable proxy.
use_memory_folding	Enable DeepAgent-style memory compression (default: TRUE)
memory_threshold	Number of messages before folding triggers (default: 4)
memory_keep_recent	Number of recent messages to preserve after folding (default: 2)

rate_limit	Requests per second for rate limiting (default: 0.2)
timeout	Request timeout in seconds (default: 120)
tor	Tor registry options from tor_options . Disable shared tracking by setting <code>dirty_tor_exists = False</code> .
verbose	Print status messages (default: True)

Details

The agent is created with two tools:

- Wikipedia: For looking up encyclopedic information
- DuckDuckGo Search: For web searches with a 4-tier fallback system (PRIMP -> Selenium -> DDGS library -> raw requests)

Memory folding (enabled by default) compresses older messages into a summary to manage context length in long conversations, following the DeepAgent paper.

Value

An object of class `asa_agent` containing the initialized agent and configuration.

API Keys

The following environment variables should be set based on your backend:

- OpenAI: `OPENAI_API_KEY`
- Groq: `GROQ_API_KEY`
- xAI: `XAI_API_KEY`
- OpenRouter: `OPENROUTER_API_KEY`

OpenRouter Models

When using the "openrouter" backend, model names must be in provider/model-name format. Examples:

- "openai/gpt-4o"
- "anthropic/claude-3-sonnet"
- "google/gemma-2-9b-it:free"
- "meta-llama/llama-3-70b-instruct"

See <https://openrouter.ai/models> for available models.

See Also

[run_task](#), [run_task_batch](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Initialize with OpenAI
agent <- initialize_agent(
  backend = "openai",
  model = "gpt-4.1-mini"
)

# Initialize with Groq and custom settings
agent <- initialize_agent(
  backend = "groq",
  model = "llama-3.3-70b-versatile",
  use_memory_folding = FALSE,
  proxy = NULL # No Tor proxy
)

# Initialize with OpenRouter (access to 100+ models)
agent <- initialize_agent(
  backend = "openrouter",
  model = "anthropic/claude-3-sonnet" # Note: provider/model format
)

## End(Not run)
```

is_tor_running

*Check if Tor is Running***Description**

Checks if Tor is running and accessible on the default port.

Usage

```
is_tor_running(port = 9050L)
```

Arguments

port Port number (default: 9050)

Value

Logical indicating if Tor appears to be running

Examples

```
## Not run:
if (!is_tor_running()) {
  message("Start Tor with: brew services start tor")
}

## End(Not run)
```

json_escape	<i>Clean Text for JSON Output</i>
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Description

Escapes special characters in text for safe inclusion in JSON strings.

Usage

json_escape(x)

Arguments

x Character string to escape

Value

Escaped string

print.asa_agent	<i>Print Method for asa_agent Objects</i>
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Description

Print Method for asa_agent Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_agent'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x An asa_agent object
... Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

```
print.asa_audit_result
```

Print Method for asa_audit_result Objects

Description

Print Method for asa_audit_result Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_audit_result'  
print(x, n = 6, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_audit_result object
n	Number of data rows to preview (default: 6)
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

```
print.asa_config
```

Print Method for asa_config Objects

Description

Print Method for asa_config Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_config'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_config object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

```
print.asa_enumerate_result
```

Print Method for asa_enumerate_result Objects

Description

Print Method for asa_enumerate_result Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_enumerate_result'  
print(x, n = 6, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_enumerate_result object
n	Number of data rows to preview (default: 6)
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

```
print.asa_response
```

Print Method for asa_response Objects

Description

Print Method for asa_response Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_response'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_response object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

print.asa_result	<i>Print Method for asa_result Objects</i>
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Description

Print Method for asa_result Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_result'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_result object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

print.asa_search	<i>Print Method for asa_search Objects</i>
------------------	--

Description

Print Method for asa_search Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_search'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_search object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

print.asa_temporal	<i>Print Method for asa_temporal Objects</i>
--------------------	--

Description

Print Method for asa_temporal Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_temporal'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_temporal object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

print.asa_tor	<i>Print Method for asa_tor Objects</i>
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Description

Print Method for asa_tor Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_tor'  
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	An asa_tor object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns the object

print2	<i>Print Utility</i>
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Description

Wrapper around cat for consistent output formatting.

Usage

```
print2(...)
```

Arguments

... Arguments passed to cat

process_outputs	<i>Process Multiple Agent Outputs</i>
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Description

Processes a data frame of raw agent outputs, extracting structured data.

Usage

```
process_outputs(df, parallel = FALSE, workers = 10L)
```

Arguments

df	Data frame with a 'raw_output' column containing agent traces
parallel	Use parallel processing
workers	Number of workers

Value

The input data frame with additional extracted columns: search_count, wiki_count, and any JSON fields found

reset_agent	<i>Reset the Agent</i>
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Description

Clears the initialized agent state, forcing reinitialization on next use. Also closes any open HTTP clients to prevent resource leaks.

Usage

```
reset_agent()
```

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

rotate_tor_circuit	<i>Rotate Tor Circuit (R-side, daemon restart)</i>
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Description

Requests a new Tor circuit by restarting the Tor service or sending SIGHUP.

Usage

```
rotate_tor_circuit(  
    method = c("signal", "brew", "systemctl"),  
    wait = 12L,  
    pid = NULL  
)
```

Arguments

method	Method to restart: "brew" (macOS), "systemctl" (Linux), or "signal"
wait	Seconds to wait for new circuit (default: 12)
pid	Optional PID of specific Tor process (only used with method="signal"). If NULL (default), finds the Tor process via pgrep.

Details

MEDIUM FIX: This function restarts the entire Tor daemon, which kills ALL circuits and affects parallel execution. For production use, prefer the Python-side control port rotation which sends SIGNAL NEWNYM to get a new circuit without restarting the daemon.

For parallel Tor setups with multiple instances, consider using Tor’s built-in circuit rotation via MaxCircuitDirtiness and NewCircuitPeriod config options instead of this function.

Value

Invisibly returns TRUE on success, FALSE on failure

Note

The "brew" and "systemctl" methods restart the entire Tor daemon and should only be used as a last resort for recovery. The "signal" method is preferred but still affects all circuits on the process.

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Preferred: Use Python-side control port rotation (via run_task/asa_enumerate)
# This R function is for manual recovery only

# Send SIGHUP to Tor process (least disruptive)
rotate_tor_circuit(method = "signal")

# macOS with Homebrew (restarts daemon - use sparingly)
rotate_tor_circuit(method = "brew")

# Linux with systemd (restarts daemon - use sparingly)
rotate_tor_circuit(method = "systemctl")

## End(Not run)
```

run_task	<i>Run a Structured Task with the Agent</i>
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Description

Executes a research task using the AI search agent with a structured prompt and returns parsed results. This is the primary function for running agent tasks.

Usage

```
run_task(
  prompt,
  output_format = "text",
  temporal = NULL,
  config = NULL,
  agent = NULL,
  expected_fields = NULL,
  thread_id = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

prompt	The task prompt or question for the agent to research
output_format	Expected output format. One of: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• "text": Returns response text (default)• "json": Parse response as JSON• "raw": Include full trace in result for debugging• Character vector: Extract specific fields from response

temporal	Named list or <code>asa_temporal</code> object for temporal filtering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>time_filter</code>: DuckDuckGo time filter - "d" (day), "w" (week), "m" (month), "y" (year) • <code>after</code>: ISO 8601 date (e.g., "2020-01-01") - hint for results after this date (added to prompt context) • <code>before</code>: ISO 8601 date (e.g., "2024-01-01") - hint for results before this date (added to prompt context)
config	An <code>asa_config</code> object for unified configuration, or NULL to use defaults
agent	An <code>asa_agent</code> object from <code>initialize_agent</code> , or NULL to use the currently initialized agent
expected_fields	Optional character vector of field names expected in JSON output. When provided, validates that all fields are present and non-null. The result will include a <code>parsing_status</code> field with validation details.
thread_id	Optional stable identifier for memory folding sessions. When provided, the same thread ID is reused so folded summaries persist across invocations. Defaults to NULL (new thread each call).
verbose	Print progress messages (default: FALSE)

Details

This function provides the primary interface for running research tasks. For simple text responses, use `output_format = "text"`. For structured outputs, use `output_format = "json"` or specify field names to extract. For debugging and full trace access, use `output_format = "raw"`.

When temporal filtering is specified, the search tool's time filter is temporarily set for this task and restored afterward. Date hints (after/before) are appended to the prompt to guide the agent's search behavior.

Value

An `asa_result` object with:

- `prompt`: The original prompt
- `message`: The agent's response text
- `parsed`: Parsed output (list for JSON/field extraction, NULL for text/raw)
- `raw_output`: Full agent trace (always included, verbose for "raw" format)
- `elapsed_time`: Execution time in minutes
- `status`: "success" or "error"
- `search_tier`: Which search tier was used ("primp", "selenium", etc.)
- `parsing_status`: Validation result (if `expected_fields` provided)
- `trace`: Full execution trace (for "raw" `output_format`)
- `fold_count`: Number of memory folds (for "raw" `output_format`)

See Also

[initialize_agent](#), [run_task_batch](#), [asa_config](#), [temporal_options](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Initialize agent first
agent <- initialize_agent(backend = "openai", model = "gpt-4.1-mini")

# Simple text query
result <- run_task(
  prompt = "What is the capital of France?",
  output_format = "text",
  agent = agent
)
print(result$message)

# JSON structured output
result <- run_task(
  prompt = "Find information about Albert Einstein and return JSON with
           fields: birth_year, death_year, nationality, field_of_study",
  output_format = "json",
  agent = agent
)
print(result$parsed)

# Raw output for debugging (includes full trace in asa_result)
result <- run_task(
  prompt = "Search for information",
  output_format = "raw",
  agent = agent
)
cat(result$trace) # View full agent trace

# With temporal filtering (past year only)
result <- run_task(
  prompt = "Find recent AI research breakthroughs",
  temporal = temporal_options(time_filter = "y"),
  agent = agent
)

# With date range hint
result <- run_task(
  prompt = "Find tech companies founded recently",
  temporal = list(
    time_filter = "y",
    after = "2020-01-01",
    before = "2024-01-01"
  ),
  agent = agent
)

# Using asa_config for unified configuration
config <- asa_config(
  backend = "openai",
  model = "gpt-4.1-mini",
  temporal = temporal_options(time_filter = "y")
)
result <- run_task(prompt, config = config)
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

run_task_batch	<i>Run Multiple Tasks in Batch</i>
----------------	------------------------------------

Description

Executes multiple research tasks, optionally in parallel. Includes a circuit breaker that monitors error rates and pauses execution if errors spike, preventing cascading failures.

Usage

```
run_task_batch(  
  prompts,  
  output_format = "text",  
  temporal = NULL,  
  agent = NULL,  
  parallel = FALSE,  
  workers = 4L,  
  progress = TRUE,  
  circuit_breaker = TRUE,  
  abort_on_trip = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

prompts	Character vector of task prompts, or a data frame with a 'prompt' column
output_format	Expected output format (applies to all tasks)
temporal	Named list for temporal filtering (applies to all tasks). See run_task for details.
agent	An asa_agent object
parallel	Use parallel processing
workers	Number of parallel workers
progress	Show progress messages
circuit_breaker	Enable circuit breaker for error rate monitoring. When enabled, tracks recent error rates and pauses if threshold exceeded. Default TRUE.
abort_on_trip	If TRUE, abort the batch when circuit breaker trips. If FALSE (default), wait for cooldown and continue.

Value

A list of asa_result objects, or if prompts was a data frame, the data frame with result columns added. If circuit breaker aborts, includes attribute "circuit_breaker_aborted" = TRUE.

See Also

[run_task](#), [configure_temporal](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
prompts <- c(
  "What is the population of Tokyo?",
  "What is the population of New York?",
  "What is the population of London?"
)
results <- run_task_batch(prompts, agent = agent)

# With temporal filtering for all tasks
results <- run_task_batch(
  prompts,
  temporal = list(time_filter = "y"),
  agent = agent
)

# Disable circuit breaker
results <- run_task_batch(prompts, agent = agent, circuit_breaker = FALSE)

# Abort on circuit breaker trip
results <- run_task_batch(prompts, agent = agent, abort_on_trip = TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

safe_json_parse

*Safe JSON Parse***Description**

Attempts to parse JSON, returning NULL on failure.

Usage

```
safe_json_parse(x)
```

Arguments

x JSON string

Value

Parsed R object or NULL

search_options	Create Search Options
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Description

Creates search configuration for controlling DuckDuckGo search behavior, including rate limiting, retry policies, and result limits. These options are used by the 4-tier search fallback system.

Usage

```
search_options(
    max_results = NULL,
    timeout = NULL,
    max_retries = NULL,
    retry_delay = NULL,
    backoff_multiplier = NULL,
    inter_search_delay = NULL
)
```

Arguments

max_results	Maximum number of search results to return per query. Higher values provide more context but increase latency. Default: 10.
timeout	Timeout in seconds for individual search requests. Applies to each tier attempt separately. Default: 15.
max_retries	Maximum number of retry attempts when a search tier fails. After exhausting retries, the system falls back to the next tier. Default: 3.
retry_delay	Initial delay in seconds before the first retry. Subsequent retries use exponential backoff. Default: 2.
backoff_multiplier	Multiplier for exponential backoff between retries. E.g., with retry_delay=2 and multiplier=1.5, delays are 2s, 3s, 4.5s. Default: 1.5.
inter_search_delay	Minimum delay in seconds between consecutive searches. Helps avoid rate limiting from search providers. Default: 0.5.

Details

The search system uses a 4-tier fallback architecture:

1. **PRIMP**: HTTP/2 with browser TLS fingerprint
2. **Selenium**: Headless browser for JS-rendered content
3. **DDGS**: Standard ddgs Python library
4. **Requests**: Raw POST to DuckDuckGo HTML endpoint

The retry/backoff settings apply within each tier. If all retries are exhausted, the system automatically falls back to the next tier.

Value

An object of class `asa_search`

See Also

[asa_config](#), [configure_search](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Default settings
search <- search_options()

# More aggressive settings for faster searches
search <- search_options(
  max_results = 5,
  timeout = 10,
  max_retries = 2
)

# Conservative settings for rate-limited environments
search <- search_options(
  inter_search_delay = 2.0,
  max_retries = 5,
  backoff_multiplier = 2.0
)

# Use with asa_config
config <- asa_config(
  backend = "openai",
  search = search_options(max_results = 15)
)

## End(Not run)
```

summary.asa_agent

Summary Method for asa_agent Objects

Description

Summary Method for asa_agent Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_agent'
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An asa_agent object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns a summary list

`summary.asa_audit_result`*Summary Method for asa_audit_result Objects*

Description

Summary Method for asa_audit_result Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_audit_result'  
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An asa_audit_result object
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns a summary list

`summary.asa_enumerate_result`*Summary Method for asa_enumerate_result Objects*

Description

Summary Method for asa_enumerate_result Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_enumerate_result'  
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	An asa_enumerate_result object
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns a summary list

summary.asa_response *Summary Method for asa_response Objects*

Description

Summary Method for asa_response Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_response'  
summary(object, show_trace = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An asa_response object
show_trace	Include full trace in output
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns a summary list

summary.asa_result *Summary Method for asa_result Objects*

Description

Summary Method for asa_result Objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'asa_result'  
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	An asa_result object
...	Additional arguments (ignored)

Value

Invisibly returns a summary list

temporal_options	Create Temporal Filtering Options
------------------	-----------------------------------

Description

Creates a temporal filtering configuration for constraining search results by date. Supports DuckDuckGo time filters, date ranges, and strict verification modes.

Usage

```
temporal_options(  
  time_filter = NULL,  
  after = NULL,  
  before = NULL,  
  strictness = "best_effort",  
  use_wayback = FALSE  
)
```

Arguments

time_filter	DuckDuckGo time filter: "d" (day), "w" (week), "m" (month), "y" (year), or NULL for no filter
after	ISO 8601 date string (e.g., "2020-01-01") - results after this date
before	ISO 8601 date string (e.g., "2024-01-01") - results before this date
strictness	Verification level: "best_effort" (default) or "strict"
use_wayback	Use Wayback Machine for strict pre-date guarantees

Details

Temporal filtering can operate at different levels:

- **time_filter**: DuckDuckGo native filter (fast, approximate)
- **after/before**: Date hints appended to prompts
- **strict**: Post-hoc verification of result dates
- **use_wayback**: Uses Internet Archive for guaranteed historical data

Value

An object of class `asa_temporal`

See Also

[asa_config](#), [run_task](#)

Examples

```
## Not run:
# Past year only
temporal <- temporal_options(time_filter = "y")

# Specific date range
temporal <- temporal_options(
  after = "2020-01-01",
  before = "2024-01-01"
)

# Strict historical verification
temporal <- temporal_options(
  before = "2015-01-01",
  strictness = "strict",
  use_wayback = TRUE
)

## End(Not run)
```

tor_options	<i>Tor Options</i>
-------------	--------------------

Description

Configure shared Tor exit tracking for healthier circuit rotation.

Usage

```
tor_options(
  registry_path = NULL,
  dirty_tor_exists = ASA_TOR_REGISTRY_ENABLED,
  bad_ttl = ASA_TOR_BAD_TTL,
  good_ttl = ASA_TOR_GOOD_TTL,
  overuse_threshold = ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_THRESHOLD,
  overuse_decay = ASA_TOR_OVERUSE_DECAY,
  max_rotation_attempts = ASA_TOR_MAX_ROTATION_ATTEMPTS,
  ip_cache_ttl = ASA_TOR_IP_CACHE_TTL
)
```

Arguments

- registry_path Path to the shared SQLite registry file (default: user cache).
- dirty_tor_exists Enable the registry (tracks good/bad/overused exits).
- bad_ttl Seconds to keep a bad/tainted exit before reuse (default: 3600).
- good_ttl Seconds to treat an exit as good before refreshing (default: 1800).
- overuse_threshold Max recent uses before a good exit is considered overloaded.
- overuse_decay Window (seconds) for overuse counting before decaying.

max_rotation_attempts Max attempts to find a clean exit before giving up.
 ip_cache_ttl Seconds to cache exit IP lookups.

Value

An object of class `asa_tor`

<code>truncate_string</code>	<i>Truncate String</i>
------------------------------	------------------------

Description

Truncates a string to a maximum length, adding ellipsis if truncated.

Usage

```
truncate_string(x, max_length = 100, ellipsis = "...")
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	Character string
<code>max_length</code>	Maximum length
<code>ellipsis</code>	String to append when truncated

Value

Truncated string

<code>write_csv.asa_enumerate_result</code>	<i>Write asa_enumerate_result to CSV</i>
---	--

Description

Write `asa_enumerate_result` to CSV

Usage

```
write_csv.asa_enumerate_result(x, file, include_provenance = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	An <code>asa_enumerate_result</code> object
<code>file</code>	Path to output CSV file
<code>include_provenance</code>	Include provenance as additional columns
<code>...</code>	Additional arguments passed to <code>write.csv</code>

Value

Invisibly returns the file path

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